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Mr. K. PRABHAKARAN TAMPAN :—" May I request the Government to point to any agency which will be in possession of the information ? We can look for the information from that source ? "

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP :—" I do not quite follow what the hon. Member's request is. The Government will try to give any further information that the hon. Member wants."

Mr. M. RATNASWAMI :—" Is the expenditure so great that the Government cannot call for the information ? "

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP :—" I have no idea of what the expenditure was. I think it is not worth while to know the amount of money incurred under travelling allowances to police officers and so on. I have no objection to call for that any how."

Sriman BISWANATH DAS Mahasayo :—" Will the hon. Member be pleased to lay the information on the table after he gets it from the department concerned ? "

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP :—" I understand my hon. friend wants information under clause (2) of the question. I have no objection to call for it and furnish it to the House."

Mr. C. RAMALINGA REDDI :—" May I point out that the answer that the Government can give no further information has no application to part 4 of the question ? "

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP :—" The answer to that part is that the Government will not lay the correspondence on the table."

Destruction of cotton crop in the Salem district.

743 Q.—Rao Sahib S. ELLAPPA CHETTIYAR : With reference to question No. 302 and the answer thereto, dated the 5th August 1921, regarding the orders for the destruction of the cotton crop, will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state the names of villages to which the concession of extension was made in Salem district ?

A.—The extension of time referred to in answer to question No. 302 was only in respect of certain villages in the Coimbatore district. The concession was not extended to any village in Salem. It may however be mentioned for the information of the hon. Member that the date of removal of the crops was postponed in 1922 from 1st August to 1st September in respect of the entire area in Salem to which the Act has been applied.

Barur tank project.

744 Q.—Rao Sahib S. ELLAPPA CHETTIYAR : With reference to question No. 923 and the reply thereto, dated the 15th November 1921, regarding Barur tank project, will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state whether final orders have yet been passed with regard to Barur tank project ?

A.—No. Certain remedial measures proposed recently by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation are being investigated in detail.